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# H. R. 2247

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 5, 2009

Mr. COHEN (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. FRANKS of Arizona) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Congressional Review  
5 Act Improvement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE CONGRES-**  
2 **SIONAL REVIEW ACT.**

3 (a) GOVERNMENT PAPERWORK REDUCTION.—Sec-  
4 tion 801 of title 5, United States Code, is amended as  
5 follows:

6 (1) REPEAL OF REQUIREMENT FOR SUBMITTAL  
7 TO BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS OF RULES OTHER-  
8 WISE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER.—  
9 Subsection (a)(1) is amended—

10 (A) by striking “each House of the Con-  
11 gress and to” in subparagraph (A);

12 (B) by striking “each House of”, and in-  
13 serting “on request” after “Congress”, in sub-  
14 paragraph (B); and

15 (C) by striking subparagraph (C).

16 (2) LISTING IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD OF  
17 EACH RULE RECEIVED BY THE COMPTROLLER GEN-  
18 ERAL.—Subsection (e) is amended to read as fol-  
19 lows:

20 “(e)(1) The Comptroller General shall submit to each  
21 House of Congress a weekly report containing a list of  
22 each rule received by the Comptroller General pursuant  
23 to subsection (a) since the last such report was submitted.  
24 The report shall include a notation for each such rule indi-  
25 cating whether or not the rule is a major rule.

1 “(2) The Speaker of the House of Representatives  
2 shall cause to be published in the Congressional Record,  
3 in that portion of the Record relating to the proceedings  
4 of the House of Representatives, each report received from  
5 the Comptroller General under paragraph (1) since the  
6 last such publication in the House portion of the Record  
7 and, for each rule listed in such report, a statement of  
8 referral by the Speaker to the committee or committees  
9 of the House with responsibility for review of that rule.

10 “(3) There shall be published in the Congressional  
11 Record, in that portion of the Record relating to the pro-  
12 ceedings of the Senate, each report received from the  
13 Comptroller General under paragraph (1) since the last  
14 such publication in the Senate portion of the Record and,  
15 for each rule listed in such report, a statement of the re-  
16 ferral, if any, to the committee or committees of the Sen-  
17 ate with responsibility for review of that rule.”.

18 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Chapter 8 of such  
19 title is further amended—

20 (1) in section 801(a)(3)(A)(i), by striking “Con-  
21 gress” and inserting “Comptroller General”;

22 (2) in section 801(a)(4), by striking “Congress”  
23 and inserting “the Comptroller General”;

24 (3) in section 801(d)(2)(B), by striking “Con-  
25 gress” and inserting “the Comptroller General”;

1           (4) in section 802(a), by striking “Congress”  
2           the first place it appears and inserting “the Comp-  
3           troller General”; and

4           (5) in section 802(b)(2)(A), by striking “Con-  
5           gress” and inserting “Comptroller General”.

6           (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
7           this Act shall take effect 60 days after the date of the  
8           enactment of this Act.

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